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## Homeless Man Pleads No Contest To Stalking After Returning to Selena Gomez's House

A transient who was already convicted of trespassing at Selena Gomez's home pleaded no contest today to stalking after returning to the pop singer's property following his release from jail, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Che Thomas Cruz, 20, entered his plea to one count of stalking and was placed on probation for three years by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Michael Kellogg. Cruz also was ordered to go to a residential treatment facility for 180 days.

Once Cruz is released from the facility, he must undergo one year of psychological treatment. As part of a 10-year criminal protective order, Cruz must keep 200 yards away from Gomez and any residence she lives in or owns.

Cruz pleaded no contest on April 2 to one misdemeanor count of unauthorized entry of a dwelling house. He was sentenced to 45 days in county jail and ordered to stay away from Gomez and the home.

Deputy District Attorney Wendy Segall said Cruz was released and arrested again on April 4 at Gomez's house later that day after jumping a fence.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Lost Hills Station.

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### About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.